SRI T. C. NARAYANAN NAMBIAR (translation) :—" The hon. Member says that in Malabar so many murders take place that they have often been a subject-matter for discuss on the floor of the House. He asks whether the Government will be pleased to appoint a special officer to enquire into these murder cases and submit a report for taking necessary action."

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM :—" We have got our police officers at various places. They will certainly take action whenever any case is reported to them."

SRI S. DAIVASIGAMONEY :—" Arising out of the answer given by the Hon. the Minister, may I ask whether, in view of the large number of complaints against police officials and in view of the fact that such complaints are usually investigated by the police officers themselves, which is bound to be partial, the Government will consider the advisability of forming a secret service independent of the police to work directly under the supervision of the Hon. the Chief Minister, composed of educated persons belonging to good society?"

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM :—" I do not accept the allegation made that whenever a superior police officer makes an investigation into a complaint against another police officer below him, he is likely to be partial. Apart from that, we have to trust our men. If we have a committee like the one suggested by the hon. Member, we may have to have another committee to supervise its work and thus the process will go on endlessly. So, we have got to trust them and if they go wrong, of course, we will pull them up."

Grant of loan for water-supply to Jayamkondan Panchayat Board.

* 456 *Q*.—SRI K. R. VISWANATHAN : Will the Hon. the Minister for Health be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether the Government have received any application for loan from the Panchayat Board, Jayamkondan, for purposes of water-supply; and

(*b*) if so, the action taken by the Government thereon?

THE HON. SRI A. B. SHETTY :—" (*a*) Yes, Sir.

" (*b*) The matter is under consideration."

SRI K. R. VISWANATHAN :—" In view of the fact that the proposed scheme of water-supply under the local development programme involves a huge expenditure of nearly two lakhs of rupees and in view of the fact that this part of the State has long been neglected with regard to supply of protected water, will the Government consider the advisability of granting the required loan without any objection whatsoever?"

THE HON. SRI A. B. SHETTY :—" The matter has been referred to the Board of Revenue and its remarks are awaited."